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Petition for Extension of Time w/RCE, filed April 4, 2005

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

GAUSSIER, Eric et al.

Application No.: 09/982,236

Filed: October 19, 2001

For: METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND  
ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE  
FOR SOFT HIERARCHICAL  
CLUSTERING OF CO-  
OCCURRING OBJECTS

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## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the final Office Action of December 2, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 4, 2005

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